

1 District Judge James L. Robart
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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL,
11 Plaintiff,

12 v.
13 NATIONAL OCEANIC AND
14 ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, *et*
al.,

15 Defendants.

Case No. C19-463 JLR

JOINT STATUS REPORT &
~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

16 Plaintiff SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL (“SSL”) filed the above-captioned lawsuit under the
17 Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) against Defendants NATIONAL OCEANIC AND
18 ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (“NOAA”) and NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES
19 SERVICES (“NMFS”) seeking disclosure of certain documents. On May 28, 2019, the Court,
20 entered a stipulated order requiring the parties to (1) continue working toward resolution of this
21 matter without further judicial intervention and (2) submit a joint status report (JSR) within 60 days.
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23 Dkt. No. 8.

24 The parties submit this JSR to notify the Court that it has become apparent that a resolution is
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1 not feasible as to a number of issues, including those relating to the FOIA exemptions relied upon by
2 the defendants and the adequacy of the defendants' search for potentially responsive documents.
3 Accordingly, the parties will submit a joint briefing schedule to the Court by August 1, 2019.

4 **SO STIPULATED.**

5 Dated this 26th day of July 2019.

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14 Dated this 26th day of July 2019.

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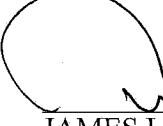
21 Attorney for Defendants

1 **PROPOSED ORDER**

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2 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

3 Dated this 31st day of July 2019.

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6 JAMES L. ROBART
7 United States District Judge

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